

MOTION BY MAYOR MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH

JANUARY 6, 2015

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

“National Volunteer Week,” as proclaimed by the President of the United States, will be observed the week of April 12 through April 18, 2015. The designation recognizes the outstanding contributions made by individuals across the country to various community-based programs, non-profit organizations, neighborhood projects and local government agencies.

The County of Los Angeles has an active Volunteer Program, created in 1981, which spans 37 Departments and the Los Angeles Superior Court. Volunteers do not replace or serve as substitutes for County employees, but instead supplement employee efforts by handling assignments that otherwise would not get done.

“Volunteers Make the Difference” will be the theme of the 2015 “Volunteer of the Year Recognition and Awards” ceremony, scheduled for Monday, April 13, 2015, in the Grand Hall, Dorothy Chandler Pavilion of the Music Center. The 33rd anniversary celebration honors County volunteers, who are deserving of public recognition for their hard work, dedication and commitment to helping the County carry out its motto, “to enrich lives through effective and caring service.”

More than 55,000 individuals donated over 2.6 million volunteer hours in 2013 to County departments. According to the Independent Sector, a national organization based in Washington, D.C. that calculates the value of each volunteer hour, the County’s volunteer hours represent a value of \$58 million.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors:

1. Proclaim Monday, April 13, 2015, as “Volunteers Make the Difference” throughout the County of Los Angeles;

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2. Authorize the Chief Executive Office (CEO) to appropriate \$42,000 for the 2015 County Volunteer Program, including the annual "Volunteer of the Year Recognition and Awards Ceremony" on April 13, 2015, the annual Volunteer Coordinator Training on July 22, 2015, and the annual Volunteer Program planning meeting on November 18, 2015;
3. Request that departmental volunteer coordinators submit to the CEO Office of Workplace Programs and Marketing quarterly reports on the number of volunteer hours donated to their respective departments;
4. Request that the CEO, the Internal Services Department and departmental coordinators provide the necessary support for the 2015 County Volunteer Program;
5. Waive the facility use fee in the amount of \$750, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for the Grand Hall and Lobby of the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion of the Music Center for the annual "Volunteer of the Year Recognition and Awards Ceremony" on April 13, 2015 from 11:00am to 3:00pm;
6. Waive the \$20 per vehicle parking fee for 170 vehicles in the amount of \$3,400, excluding cost of liability insurance, at the Music Center Garage for honorees and guests attending the annual "Volunteer of the Year Recognition and Awards Ceremony" on April 13, 2015 from 11:00am to 3:00pm;
7. Waive the \$20 per vehicle parking fee for 20 vehicles in the amount of \$400, excluding cost of liability insurance, at the Music Center Garage for departmental volunteer coordinators to attend the annual Volunteer Program insurance workshop on July 22, 2015 from 8:00am to 12:00pm; and
8. Waive the \$20 per vehicle parking fee for 20 vehicles in the amount of \$400, excluding cost of liability insurance, at the Music Center Garage for departmental volunteer coordinators to attend the 2016 Volunteer Program planning meeting on November 18, 2015 from 8:00am to 12:00pm.

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